

THE
ANSWER

OF THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS TO

The Citifens of *Londons* Petition
for Peace: Wherein they declare their Re-
solution concerning the same

Likewise their Propositions to the
Knights Gentry, and Trayned Bands of the county
of *Essex*, Concerning the Proceedings in this
city, and the Affairs of the whole
KINGDOME.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons assembled in parli-
ment, that these Particulars be forthwith printed and
published.

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Ch. Baiter. House of Commons



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THE
ANSWER

OF THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS TO

The Gentlemen of the House of Commons
for 1766: Wherein they declare their
Sentiments concerning the same

Likewise their Propositions to the
House of Commons, and the several
Orders of the House, and the
Proceedings thereon, in relation
to the said Gentlemen of the House of Commons

Ordered by the House of Commons, that the
said Gentlemen of the House of Commons
be paid the sum of £1000

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**THE
RESOLUTION**

**OF THE
HONOURABLE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT**

**IN THIS PRESENT
PARLIAMENT**

*Concerning the Citizens of London's petition
for peace.*

The Honourable Houses of Parliament, having taken into serious consideration the late petition of the Citizens of London, wherein they most earnestly desire an accomodation of Peace, between his Majesty and both hou-

ses, but in such away, that they do not
care if it be with the losse of their Reli-
gion and Liberties.

But his Majesties great Counsell, the
Worthies of *Israel*, out of their pious and
Religious care to the publike Good, ha-
ving ever since the first time of their sit-
ting, laboured by all possible means that
might be to settle this Kingdom in a
happy and glorious Union: and hath
also ever since the beginning of these pre-
sent distractions in this Kingdome, both
by their humble Petitions and Messages
to His Majesty, most earnestly desired a
Peace and Union, and that these differen-
ces which are now in dissent betwixt his
Majesty and both houses, might be com-
poled and brought to a full-period, so
that it is to be admired at, that these Ci-
tizens which hath now petitioned for
peace, should presume so farre, knowing
that the Honourable Houses of Parlia-
ment hath oftentimes petitioned to His
Majesty for the same.

And thus ends the first part of the
petition presented to His Majesty and both
houses.

And therefore to satisfie the Desires of
all the forenamed persons, both houses
have have thought fit and meet to de-
clare this their full will and pleasure un-
to them, viz.

That whereas divers of the foresaid
persons have framed a petition for
Peace, and presented it to the House of
Commons, most earnestly desiring an an-
swer of the same, after some time spent
in debate thereof the house returned this
answer, That ever since their first lifting
it hath alwayes bin their care to preserve
the peace of this Kingdom and that they
have and do still labour after peace by all
possible means, so as the same might bee
obtained in a safe and honourable way,
but to have a peace without securing of
our Religion, Lawes and Liberties, and
without bringing Traytors and Delin-
quents to punishment, which are and have
bin the only causes of this warre, there
can be no warre so perillous and grievous
as such a peace.

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The Parliament's propositions to the Knights,
Squires, and Community of the County of
Essex.

WHereas it doth appeare to the
Lords and Commons assembled
in Parliament, that his Majesty hath sent
out divers Commissions for the levying
of more Forces, to the great hazzard of
Religion: but for preventing of these
designs, the Honourable Court of Parlia-
ment have agreed that these following
propositions shall be forthwith printed,
and sent down to the County of Essex,
viz.

1.
That you shall take speciall care to stay
search, and examine all suspicious persons
and carriages, and to search or cause to
be searched all suspicious places.

II.
That you shall seize upon all Horses,
Arms, Ammunition, Money, or any other
provision whatsoever, which you suspect

is raised or provided for the somenting
or maintaining any such unnaturall and
unlawfull warre against the Parl. and
Kingdom.

That you shall conduct and lead all
such forces of horse and foot as shall be
appointed by the B. of Essex, I and shall
fight with, kill and slay all such as shall
oppose you.

That you are hereby authorized and
required forthwith to disarm all popish
 recusants, and other dangerous and ill
affected persons, as well Clergy men as
others, as have testified their ill disposi-
tions to the King, Parliament and King
dom. It is likewise reported to the house
that His Maj. being now grown stronger
and abler as he conceives to make good
his own ends by Armes his confidence in
the papists hath more clearly appeared
that imprisoned for priests & Jesuits have
bin released out of the Gaol of Lancaster.

protest papists have bin invited to rise
and take up arms against your government to
have the last of the day
*A true and brief Relation of the late most
brave battell fought upon Sunday last in the fore
night by Braver Rupert and Col. Brandt*

P Rince Rupert having information
of the late great Overthrow given
to the Earl of Mar by the late
much perplexed in mind, taking a great
and solemn Oath to be revenged upon
the said Col. Brandt, but he failed of his
designe, for although upon Sunday last
he advanced near to Col. Brandt with about
3000 horse giving him battell, yet he
was the victor and policy of Col. Brandt
and Sir W. Waller, that dividing their
my intention of his coming in a number
of horse and Dragoons, they charged
the Prince with such desperate
violence, that there fell many
sons of the Prince's soldiers in the
and after a long fight, Nature being that
Sir Major's horse were so murthered, which
caused the enemy to leave the field.

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